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International Application No.: PCT/EP99/05584  
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Priority Date Claimed: 05 August 1998  
Applicant for DO/US: SmithKline Beecham p.l.c.  
Title of Invention: "Novel Compounds"

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PETITION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 21 and 37 CFR § 1.6(e)

Dear Sir,

On February 5, 2001, Applicants attempted to file the enclosed Transmittal Letter to the U.S. Designated Office (DO/US) – Entry Into National Stage Under 35 U.S.C. § 371 application. Due to inclement weather and snow emergency routes in the area being closed, Applicants were unable to reach the local post office to deposit the above-referenced application. The attached page from the AccuWeather website indicates that King of Prussia received 13 inches of snow on February 5, 2001.

Under 37 CFR § 1.6(e), correspondence, (papers and fees) which could not be filed on a particular date because of an interruption or emergency (snow), may be promptly filed after the ending of such a designated emergency and would be considered as having been filed on that particular day.

Applicants maintain that the above-referenced situation is considered an emergency and therefore constitutes the use of this statute.

Respectfully submitted,

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(DO/US) - ENTRY INTO NATIONAL STAGE UNDER 35 USC 371

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## CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.10

I hereby certify that this Transmittal Letter, Form PTO 1390 and the papers indicated as being transmitted therewith, and Post Card are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date February 5, 2001 in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mailing Label Number EL421083704US addressed to the:  
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